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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION
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EXAMINING GROUP 2153
Docket No.: 1405.1024

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masahide NODA et al.

Serial No. 09/628,352

Group Art Unit: 2153

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Examiner: Anita Choudhary

For: COMMUNICATION PROMOTION METHOD AND SYSTEM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed February 19, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on May 19, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to June 21, 2004 (June 19, 2004 falling on a Saturday). This Amendment is timely filed on June 21, 2004 via certificate of facsimile.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of the claim amendments and reconsideration of the amended claims is respectfully requested, because it is believed that the claim amendments clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the newly cited relied upon references without requiring further search to place the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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events according to a specified event processing method" (e.g., new dependent claims 14-17).

CONCLUSION

In view of the claim amendments and the remarks, withdrawal of the rejections of pending claims and allowance of rejected pending claims, including new dependent claims 13-17, is respectfully requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

Respectfully submitted,
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